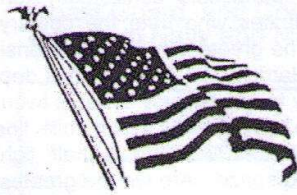




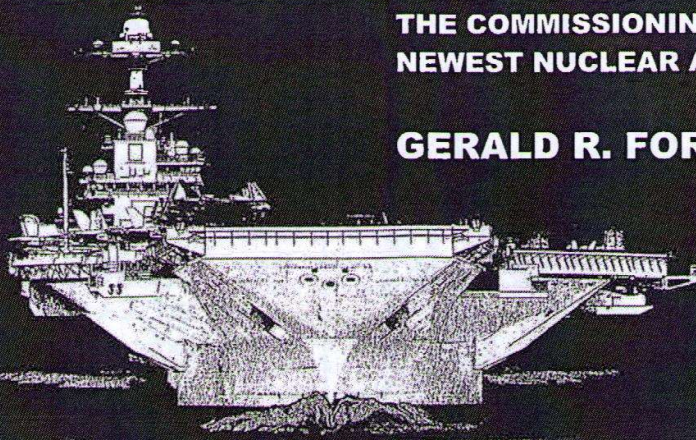
JULY 2017



# The Lucky Bag

RICHMOND COUNCIL, NAVY LEAGUE OF THE UNITED STATES

**URGENTLY  
NEED  
REPLY  
TO BE  
RECEIVED  
BY 10 JULY**



**THE COMMISSIONING OF OUR NATION'S  
NEWEST NUCLEAR AIRCRAFT CARRIER**

**GERALD R. FORD (CVN 78)**

## **SATURDAY 22 JULY PROMISES TO BE AN EXCITING AND MEMORABLE DAY IN U.S. NAVAL HISTORY!**

Soon to join the fleet and be commissioned, **GERALD R. FORD (CVN 78)**, her 1,092 feet of war fighting components including two power plants, food services, medical facilities and desalination plants. (see page 6 for more details)

The island, the flight command for the ship, has been completely redesigned and moved closer to the back of the ship. Two nuclear reactors generate more than three times the power of the Nimitz class carriers and with its four 23 feet propellers allow for a top speed of 35 knots.

FORD's redesigned flight deck projects a 25% increase in her ability to launch and recover aircraft. Steam catapults have been replaced with electromagnetic aircraft launch systems that require less space, more energy efficient and enables a smoother launch.

### SCHEDULE FOR THE DAY

- 6:30 AM Bus Departs-James River Bus Lines/915 N. Allen Ave Richmond, VA 23220
- 8:30 AM Arrive Naval Station Norfolk  
**Security Check In: Photo ID required**
- 10:00 AM Commissioning Ceremony
- 12:30 - 3:00 PM Lunch on your own on base & tour ship
- 3:30 PM Board Bus for return trip
- 6:00 PM ETA Richmond

**Cost includes: coffee & pastries in AM; water & soft drinks on return trip; Chartered bus and gratuity**

**ABSOLUTE RESERVATION DEADLINE: MONDAY 10 JULY - - - COMMISSIONING OF GERALD R. FORD (CVN 78) SATURDAY JULY 22**

**PRINT CLEARLY & LEGIBLY. ALL INFORMATION IS REQUIRED. COMPLETE FORM AND RETURN ASAP**

LEGAL FULL NAME: Last: \_\_\_\_\_ First: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ TEL#: \_\_\_\_\_

PLACE OF BIRTH: (City/State/Country): \_\_\_\_\_ U.S. CITIZEN: YES / NO GENDER: M / F

SOCIAL SECURITY #: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Total # of Reservations \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$60.00 per N.L. Member & Family Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ N.L. Office Tel #: (804) 355-7557  
Total # of Reservations \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$70.00 per Non-member

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